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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

Chaitan KHOSLA et al.

Application No.: 09/925,236

Filed: August 8, 2001

For: RECOMBINANT PRODUCTION OF NOVEL

POLYKETIDES (amended hereinbelow)

Art Unit: 1652

Examiner: N. Nashed

## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to an Office Action herein mailed 13 August 2004, time for response to which was set to expire 13 November 2004. A petition for an extension of time of two (2) months until 13 January 2005 is enclosed, along with the required fee. The considered claims, claims 96-101, were rejected. Careful consideration has been given to the grounds for rejection, and the following amendment and discussion are offered in response. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

## **AMENDMENT**

## Please amend the title of the application to read as follows:

RECOMBINANT PRODUCTION OF NOVEL POLYKETIDES

METHODS TO PREPARE CELLS COMPRISING HETEROLOGOUS POLYKETIDE

SYNTHASE EXPRESSION SYSTEMS

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